

# EVENING WORLD'S TAXICAB REFORMS ARE APPROVED BY THE MAYOR'S COMMISSION

Will Recommend to Aldermen the Abolition of All Private Stands.

FIRST MILE 60 CENTS.

Provide for Strict Investigation of Chauffeurs Applying for Licenses.

The Evening World has won another step in its fight for a reduced taxicab rate of fare, abolition of private or hotel taxicab stands and strict inspection of cabs as well as regulation of all chauffeurs entrusted with the safe carrying of passengers. The point was won in the commission appointed by Mayor Day to investigate taxicab conditions in this city and to draft a set of ordinances fully covering the taxicab field. This commission has adopted every suggestion made by The Evening World toward the betterment of taxicab conditions and is now working on a set of rules and regulations affecting the character, responsibility and fitness of all men engaged in driving taxicabs used by the public. When this latter phase of the investigation is completed the work of the commission will end and a report of its findings will be sent to the Mayor who will then forward the report of the Board of Aldermen, urging a speedy adoption of the proposed ordinance.

COMMISSION FOLLOWS LINES OF THE EVENING WORLD.

The commission decided these matters

## Report of Mayor's Taxicab Commission Victory for The Evening World.

Rate of Fare—Forty cents first half mile and ten cents for each succeeding quarter of a mile. The Evening World still believes the rate should be 30 cents. It is 16 cents in London.

Abolition of all hotel and private taxicab stands.

Official regulation and inspection of taxicabs.

Drastic conditions to apply to licensing of chauffeurs.

Under the proposed ordinance, which has yet to be passed by the Aldermen, the New Yorker will have his taxi charge reduced one-third for the first hour and 10 cents an hour for each succeeding hour. All the hotel taxis now have a fifty-cent drop, which means 90 cents for the first mile. Under the new ordinance the charge will be fixed at 60 cents.

At a protracted meeting held last evening in the reception room of the Mayor at the City Hall, Chairman Ames, Mayor's Secretary Robert Adams, Oren Root, Charles Stecker and William Heert Crowell, the Mayor's legal adviser, were present. The commission would carefully over all the suggested ordinances and conditions affecting the situation, finally selecting all the recommendations and suggestions made by The Evening World, and frequently set forth in this newspaper in its campaign for taxicab reform.

The vital question of private and hotel stands was gone into thoroughly, the result being that the commission voted unanimously to report in favor of the abolition of such private stands and establishing them as public stands upon which any licensed cab may drive and receive or deposit a fare. These private stands include the large hotels and clubs heretofore prohibited of use by any but the cabs of the companies which paid heavily for the privilege. As great a sum as \$300,000 yearly was collected from the hotels alone for these stand privileges, and the taxicab companies, in paying this amount, reaped in manifold terms from the pockets of the public. It was also decided to create additional public stands at points found to be to the greatest convenience of the public. With the passage of the new ordinance and the establishment of the public stands, it will be possible for the public to summon a cab at a minute's notice.

TAXIS MUST BE CLEAN AND CHAUFFEURS THE BEST.

In making this radical change the commission did not lose sight of the fact that a greater responsibility must now repose in owners and drivers of taxicabs, and that none but up to date cabs, clean in every respect, driven by chauffeurs of ability and character shall be permitted to occupy them. In order to accomplish this the commission decided to draw up a set of regulations applying both to the cab and the chauffeur under which licenses alone will be granted. This all means that no man with a criminal or faulty record shall be permitted to become a licensed chauffeur. That every licensed chauffeur shall be able to read and write, be of a certain stature and degree of intelligence as well as possess an appearance warranting the granting of a license. The details of this side of the new order of things will be worked out by Secretary Robert Adams, who said today: "I already have a good idea of what is required and what must prevail before the reform in taxicab operation in this city can be put into effect. I already have considerable data and I propose to report a set of regulations which will be drastic as applying to the licensing of chauffeurs. Then it will become necessary to have a system of inspection daily of both cabs and chauffeurs and co-operation of the police. All this will be attended to, and it is the sense of the commission that the more drastic the lines are drawn regarding chauffeurs the better the honest and decent men engaged in driving cabs used by the public will be in innovation. We already have a large force of inspectors, but when the new conditions go into effect it will doubtless be necessary to increase that force. I expect to have my report ready for the commission by next Thursday."

The rate of fare decided upon by the commission is 40 cents for the first half mile and 10 cents for every quarter of a mile thereafter, thus making the first mile charge 60 cents and each succeeding mile 40 cents. It is possible that the commission may report in favor of even a lesser rate, but it has been decided practically to start with the stated rate. The commission will file its final report within two weeks.

PANIC ON BRIDGE PLAZA.

Robbed Girl Grabs Nearest Man and Near Riot Follows.

During the morning rush hour on Williamsburg Bridge plaza, Broadway and Havemeyer street, Miss Augusta Zelnar felt a tug at her handbag and found the bag was open and her purse, containing \$1.50, was gone. She grabbed the man nearest to her and yelled "Police!"

The man was Philip Bloom, twenty-five years old, of No. 30 Schermer street, Williamsburg. He protested his innocence, but the woman held on and a riot ensued. Women became hysterical, men moved and fought, and shouting of women was heard. Police were called to fight his way to reach the man and his captor. Bloom was arraigned before Chief Magistrate Kemper. The purse was not found.

## \$3 A WEEK LOVE DIED AS DOCTOR GOT TO BE RICH

Romance Ended With Prosperity and Sorrowful Wife Now Goes to the Courts.

The romance of Dr. Alexander Brown and the little \$3 a week buttonhole maker he made his wife in 1901, after starting out as a mutual aid affair, and witnessing the husband's rise from a clerkship at \$3 a month to an M. D. degree and a practice said to net him \$10,000 a year, has been destroyed.

Dr. Brown, alleging that while he has progressed and fought his way upward in the world his wife has retrograded and become so slovenly he is ashamed of her, is seeking a separation, and Mrs. Brown, blaming an alleged infidelity for her troubles, has filed suit in the Brooklyn Supreme Court for an absolute divorce.

When the Browns were married the doctor, who was far from being "doctor" then, was working nights as a bookkeeper in the office of an express company. His day he was a student of medicine. Through years of grinding poverty the young couple—she was eighteen and he twenty at the time of their marriage—stuck together.

In 1909, after eight years of heroic work on the part of both husband and wife, Alexander Brown got his diploma and hung out his shingle. There was another struggle then to establish a paying practice.

Mrs. Brown alleges that with the coming of his new honors, her husband's attitude toward her changed. He became impatient, she asserts, and saw shortchanges that had been unnoticed before.

The first real breach, though, came when Dr. Brown was called to the bedside of a new patient—a man named Wendehack, whose first name and address are not mentioned in the papers filed in behalf of Mrs. Brown by Attorney John J. Haggerty.

The young physician saw and became enamored of Mrs. Gertrude Wendehack, the wife of the sick man, Mrs. Brown alleges, and afterwards she felt his neglect more keenly.

According to Mrs. Brown she was kept almost a prisoner in her home and made to do with \$2 a week spending money while her husband went to theatres and other places of amusement with Mrs. Wendehack.

The Browns moved to No. 44 West Sixty-fifth street, this city—their present address—on Jan. 15, 1912, according to Mrs. Brown. Four days afterward, she says, she entered the dining room and found her husband there in company with Mrs. Wendehack. He ordered her from the room, she alleges, and went on amicably with the luncheon.

Her husband humiliated her at Atlantic City, Mrs. Brown asserted, by taking Mrs. Wendehack on his knee. In his answer the doctor says that his love for Mrs. Wendehack is entirely platonic.

District Court to an indictment charging the giving of false testimony in bankruptcy proceedings against his firm. He furnished \$2,000 bail.

The petition in bankruptcy was filed by Samuel Ravich and two other creditors, with claims aggregating \$250 on Jan. 3 last. The liabilities of the firm amounted to \$25,000 and the assets to \$10,000. It was charged that on Dec. 24, 1912, the firm shipped a trunk containing ninety alligator and walrus skin bags to Hartford, Conn. The creditors allege that at Hartford the appearance of the trunk was changed and it was re-shipped to New Haven.

PORT OF NEW YORK.

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OLD AT 40

Some Younger at 65 Than Others Are at 40 Years.

So many people whom you meet about the time they reach 40 begin by saying "I can't do this, and I can't do that, because I'm getting old now," they begin to act old, feel old and they are older in appearance than many who are much more advanced in years.

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BANKRUPT PUT UNDER BAIL.

Leather Goods Dealer Accused of Giving False Testimony.

Harry L. Rogal of Rogal & Brass, dealers in leather goods, pleaded not guilty today before Judge Mayer in the criminal branch of the United States

Woman Dead by Poison. Husband on Bed Wailed Her. Dared Accidents, Police Report.

A report sent to the West One Hundred street police station today that Mrs. Mary J. Murtagh had committed suicide in her apartment at No. 142 West One Hundred and Third street. Police-  
man Chapman found Mrs. Murtagh dead on the bed and her husband, who seemed in a daze and had a cut on his face, was sitting beside the body.

Murtagh, who is a bottle dealer, said that his wife had complained of being ill and went to the medicine closet in the bathroom. In a moment she came running out saying that she had swallowed lysol by mistake. Murtagh said he gave her the whites of three eggs as an antidote, but she was dead when Dr. Bradbury arrived from J. Hood Wright Hospital. The policeman reported that the poisoning was accidental.

WOMAN DEAD BY POISON.

FIELDER IN THE RACE.

Formerly Announced Candidate for Governor of Jersey.

TRENTON, N. J., March 7.—Gov. James E. Fielder, who succeeded Gov. Wilson on March 1, made the definite announcement today that he would be an active candidate for the gubernatorial nomination at the coming primaries.

He served notice on Mayor H. Otto Whittem of Jersey City and former Mayor Frank S. Katzenbach of Trenton, two other candidates, that he is in the fight to stay and expects to win out.

Senate Confirms Marble.

WASHINGTON, March 7.—In a four-minute executive session, the Senate this afternoon confirmed President Wilson's nomination of John H. Marble of California to be Commissioner of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

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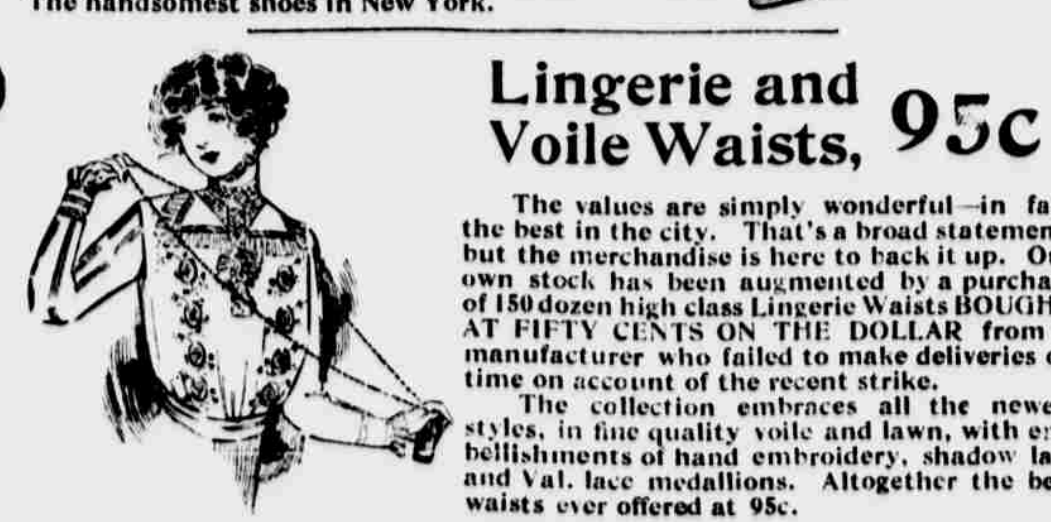
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